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Hello All,

Attached you will find the agenda for the Nutrient Work Group Subgroup meeting on September 1st, 2011 in room 111 at the DEQ Lee Metcalf Building, 1502 E. 6th Avenue, Helena, MT 59601 at 10:00am.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact Mike Suplee (msuplee@mt.gov).

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Agenda Items for the September 1st Nutrient Work Group Sub-committee
Meeting: Policy Related to Senate Bill 367

When: September 1, 2011, 10:00 *am* to 4:00 *pm*

Where: Helena, DEQ Lee Metcalf Building, 1520 E. 6th Ave, Room 111

1. What should be the level of rigor required for the optimization study, which is required for permittees who have received a variance
 - a. Is there agreement that this is a one-time undertaking, for the duration of the variance?
2. Public sector individual variance process: need to finalize
 - a. Use process developed in 2008-2010 by NCAAG and NWG? (can discuss details as needed). Or further modify?
3. Process by which end-of-pipe treatment levels for variances are updated (i.e., made more stringent).
 - a. The treatment level s are to be updated in accordance with “more cost-effective and efficient treatment technologies”; what does that mean to everyone?
 - b. What will the updating process look like
 - c. Views on whether or not categories can be updated independently (e.g., can we update the >1 MGD category but not the < 1 MGD category)
 - d. DEQ has proposed that when categorical variance concentrations are changed, the justification for those already operating under that variance has ended. It will be addressed at next permit renewal. Views on this approach?
4. Other topic(s), to be decided by group